

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA  
NORTHERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	)	
	)	
v.	)	CASE NO. 2:21-cr-00357-MHT
	)	(WO)
OPHELIA SHELIA DENISE HATCHER	)	

**FINAL ORDER OF FORFEITURE**

Before the court is the government's motion for a final order of forfeiture (Doc. 39) filed on April 26, 2022.

On November 30, 2021, this court entered a preliminary order of forfeiture (Doc. 27) ordering defendant Ophelia Shelia Denise Hatcher to forfeit her interest in a Ruger, Model LCP, .380 caliber pistol, bearing serial number 371257376 and live ammunition.

Publication of notice was not required pursuant to Rule G(4)(a) of the Supplemental Rules for Admiralty or Maritime Claims and Asset Forfeiture Actions as the property is worth less than \$1,000 and the only potential claimant is the defendant. The government gave defendant notice in the indictment that it would seek the forfeiture of any firearms and ammunition involved in the commission of the offenses in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1).

The court finds that the defendant has an interest in the property that is subject to forfeiture pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c), and that the government has established the requisite nexus between the property and such offenses in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 922(g)(1).

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the motion for a final order of forfeiture (Doc. 39) is GRANTED as follows:

1. The following property is hereby forfeited to the United States pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 924(d)(1) by 28 U.S.C. § 2461(c): **a Ruger, Model LCP, .380 caliber pistol, bearing serial number 371257376 and live ammunition.**

2. All right, title, and interest to the property described above is hereby condemned, forfeited, and vested in the United States and shall be disposed of according to law.

3. The United States District Court shall retain jurisdiction in the case for the purpose of enforcing this order.

4. The clerk of the court shall forward a certified copy of this order to the United States Attorney's Office.

DONE, this the 27th day of April, 2022.

/s/ Myron H. Thompson  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE